

*Washington, DC* – Today, Rep. Todd Akin, Chairman of the Seapower and Projection Forces Subcommittee, released the following statement after voting for a continuing resolution to fund the Department of Defense for the remainder of the 2011 fiscal year.

“Today we have troops around the world putting their lives on the line to keep us safe. We should not allow their pay and the financial security of their families to be a negotiating chip here in Washington. That is why I voted for HR 1363 today which will provide the Department of Defense the funds they need to continue operating for the remainder of the fiscal year.”